



The DoveTale

November 2007

Woodworkers of SouthEast Texas

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Members:	56	Present:	18	Visitors:	0
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[Our Next Meeting will be Jan 28th](#)

[November 26th Meeting](#)

We held our November meeting at Acadian Hardwoods. Business items included:

- Howard Hartman – Balance is \$2,0744.40
- Richard Hicks – Membership at 56 and 2008 renewals at 42
- Web Site – Rob Emanuel reports he's going to redesign our website: www.wwset.org
- Toy Project: Our club made about 600 toys this year for distribution to local charities.
- Library – Rob says "I t's full again, so he'll purge it real soon." The club voted to review our magazine subscriptions to be sure we are getting only the ones of interest to our members.
- Programs: New incentives for program presenters – contact Rob Emanuel
- Steve Brady will continue to handle our raffles.

[Our Next Meeting](#)

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, January 28th at Acadian Hardwoods. John Phelps will present a program on carcass construction using solid wood. Be sure to

bring a show & tell item and a chair. As usual, I'll be there early to take pictures of the show & tell items. We'll elect officers and sort toys.

[Election of Officers](#)

The nominating committee presented thier slate of officers:

- Rebecca Phelps for President-elect
- Howard Hartman for Treasurer
- Richard Hicks for Secretary

There were no nominations or volunteers from the floor. John Phelps made a motion to elect the candidates and Lyman Frugia seconded the motion. The motion passed and the new board will assume their duties at the January meeting.

[Renewals](#)

Well, it's that time again – time to renew your club membership.

So far, we've had 42 renewals. Our club bylaws require that we finalize the membership list before the March meeting, so please return your membership renewal as soon as you can. If you don't plan to renew, please let me know.

It really helps a lot if you renew by mail.

Houston Woodworking Show

Our club has been invited to participate in the Houston Woodworking Show this year (April 4, 5 & 6) and the show promoters asked that we participate in their new "Strolling Seminar Series". Each club booth will present a series of short seminars during the day and show visitors will be able to go to each seminar of interest. The seminars can be on anything that pertains to woodworking. Dean Partridge will coordinate our show participation.

Show & Tells



Sue Caldwell designed and cut these plaques on her scroll saw.



Winnie Rudd cut an assortment of Christmas tree ornaments out of 1/8" Baltic birch plywood



Howard Hartman made this step stool out of "shop scraps" and added a storage drawer.



John Phelps brought two brochures back from the juried show by the Alabama Woodworking Guild.

Door Prizes

Sam Toby won the door prize, only \$25 since he didn't have a show and tell. We had an additional drawing for a set of glue bottles and Paul Smith won those.

Toy Drive



The club made about 600 toys this year and they were divided between four charitable organizations. This year they went to United Board of Missions in Port Arthur, Orange Christian Services in Orange, Women's Auxiliary in Lumberton and Some Other Place in Beaumont.

Program

Rob Emanuel presented a program on



sharpening tools with his new Jool Tool system. It consists of a variable speed base and a collection of abrasives that fit on



specially designed disks that appear transparent when they're spinning. You can sharpen and polish almost anything as well as shape wood for things like intarsia. Thanks for showing us a new way to sharpen.

Saturday Program

Ten people showed up for the workshop on



how to make raised panels safely with a shaper at John Phelps' shop. Three of them were visitors from Kirbyville: Bill

Chambers, Robert Mock, and Edgar (didn't get his last name) who were invited by Steve Brady.



John began by demonstrating the fence he had copied from a design by Lonnie Bird called a box fence. As usual, John had

modified the design with additional design elements that he thinks make it a better and safer design for using with the shaper to make raised panels. He then proceeded to



show everybody what you should not do when making your own modifications.

Fortunately, the fence lived up to its safety billing, and the only injury was to John's pride.

The rest of the demo went well, and several people tried out the fence for themselves by making one or two passes with a blank piece of wood to raise a panel profile. There were even suggestions for additional design changes to the fence that everyone thought might improve it even further. The visitors had lots of woodworking questions, and the workshop turned into a wide-ranging question and answer session on woodworking techniques.

John, thanks for a very informative program and Rebecca, thanks for taking the time to take pictures and supply the write up.